

BARRY TOWN COUNCIL CYNGOR TREF Y BARRI

PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ABOVE STATUTORY PROVISIONS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF THE FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE TO BE HELD ON A HYBRID BASIS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, KING SQUARE, BARRY, CF63 4RW AND REMOTELY MONDAY 3 APRIL 2023 COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSACTING THE BUSINESS SHOWN IN THE AGENDA SET OUT BELOW.

From 1 May 2021 The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 makes provision for meetings to take place through a variety of arrangements, including multi-location meetings where all individuals are attending virtually and hybrid meetings where a number of individuals are attending in person at a designated location and others are attending virtually from a range of other locations. The Act makes permanent provision for remote meetings (multi-location) and electronic publication of documents

Yours faithfully

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Emily Forbes Chief Officer (Town Clerk)

<u>A G E N D A</u>

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. **To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct.** (Note: Members seeking advice on this item are asked to contact the Monitoring Officer at least 72 hrs before the meeting).
- 3. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

(To note)

Finance, Policy and General Purposes committee members will note that this Act sets out the requirement for a public body to act in a manner which seeks to ensure **that the needs of the**

present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

In order to act in that manner, a public body must take account of the following things:

- (a) the importance of balancing short term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to meet long term needs, especially where things done to meet short term needs may have detrimental long term effect;
- (b) the need to take an integrated approach, by considering how
 - *i.* the body's well-being objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals;
 - *ii.* the body's well-being objectives impact upon each other or upon other public bodies' objectives, in particular where steps taken by the body may contribute to meeting one objective but may be detrimental to meeting another;
- (c) the importance of involving other persons with an interest in achieving the well-being goals and of ensuring those persons reflect the diversity of the population of the part of Wales in relation to which the body exercises functions;
- (d) how acting in collaboration with any other person (or how different parts of the body acting together) could assist the body to meet its well-being objectives, or assist another body to meet its objectives;
- (e) how deploying resources to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may contribute to meeting the body's wellbeing objectives, or another body's objectives.
- 4. To approve the minutes of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 1 February 2023 (Pages 882-887)
- 5. To receive the minutes of the Innovation Working Party held on 7 March 2023 and to consider and recommendations therein

(Pages 888-893)

FINANCIAL REPORTS

6. To receive the Schedule of Payments for March 2023

(Pages 894-901)

(If Councillors have any queries on the attached please contact the Deputy Chief Officer prior to the meeting)

7. To receive a Budget Monitoring Report to 28 February 2023 (Pages 902-905)

(If Councillors have any queries on the attached please contact the Deputy Chief Officer prior to the meeting)

8. Grants and Donations 2022/23 (Pages 906-907)

- a. Kings Coronation Street Parties
- b. Vibrant Culture Grant Tabernacle Studio CIC (More information requested at meeting held on 1 February 2023) None received

9. Purchase of New IT Equipment (Pages 908-909)

POLICY REPORTS

10. GDPR Update

(Verbal)

11. Internal Audit Report 2022/23 (Second Interim) (Pages 910-916)

12. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee will be agreed at the Annual Meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday 16 May 2023.

13. Exclusion of the Press & Public

In accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public are excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

14. **Debtors**

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BARRY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7PM

- **PRESENT:** Councillor Brooks (Chair) together with Councillors Davies-Powell, Drake, E S Goodjohn (Vice Chairperson), N Hodges, S Hodges, McKinney and Payne (Town Mayor Ex-Officio).
- ALSO PRESENT: Mark Sims Deputy Chief Officer Rebecca Blackwell – Office Team Leader

The Chair was experiencing technical problems at the beginning of the meeting, the Vice Chair started the meeting.

F56. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None were received.

F57. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE COUNCILS CODE OF CONDUCT

None

F58. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015

RESOLVED: That the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 be received and noted.

F59. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28 NOVEMBER 2022

Councillor S Hodges wished to make a point of clarity under minute number F55. where it stated 'Councillor S Hodges noted that she had concerns surrounding the governance of the Committee'. Councillor S Hodges noted that she had concerns surrounding the 'Governance Framework', in particular the decision making process as traders are required to leave the room for Councillors to then make a decision, and she feels that this gives the perception of shutting the traders out, suggesting that the Chief Officer explores this further.

An amendment has been made in relation to minute number F55.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee held on 28 November 2022 be approved and signed as correct record, noting the amendment of minute no. F55.

F60. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE SHOP LOCAL BARRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 26 JANUARY 2023 AND TO GIVE ANY CONSIDERATION TO ANY RECOMMENDATIONS THEREIN

Councillor S Hodges updated members as she was at that meeting noting that Shop Local are limited to spending up to 20% of their budget per meeting, advising that the Committee wish to commit to various projects as per the minutes.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the minutes of the Shop Local Barry Advisory Committee held on 26 January 2023 be received and noted.
- 2. That a budget of £260 is approved in order for Shop Local to participate in the Totally Locally "Fiver Fest" campaigns throughout the year.
- 3. That a budget of £100 is approved in order to boost posts across Social Media.
- 4. That a budget of £300 is approved (from the Shop Local reserve) to host a "Re-launch Party" to celebrate the group's new branding & logo, involving all traders.

F61. TO RECEIVE THE SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS FOR JANUARY 2023

Members were provided with the schedule of payments for January 2023 consisting of direct debits and BACS payments, in the amount of $\pounds 38,287.97$.

RESOLVED that the schedule of payments for January 2023 consisting of direct debits and BACS payments in the amount of £38,287.97 be approved.

Councillor Payne connected at 7.15pm but had technical difficulties

F62. TO RECEIVE A BUDGET MONITORING REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

Members were informed about the Council's income and expenditure in the 2022/23 financial year as at the end of December 2022.

The Deputy Chief Officer advised that earlier in the year there was a concern that due to the Pay Award for 2022 being greater than budgeted for, the salaries budget was expected to be overspent. However, a few roles have become vacant with delays to recruitment which now results in a saving to the salaries budget. The Deputy Chief Officer advised that further up-to-date (as at 31 January 2023) figures will be presented to

the Full Council meeting in two weeks in readiness to discuss the proposed budget.

RESOLVED: That the budget monitoring report for December 2022, indicating actual income and expenditure up to the end of month nine in the 2022/23 financial year be received, noting the projected underspend of £32,854 for the 2022/23 that will result in a net amount of £22,283 being transferred from reserves.

F63. GRANTS AND DONATIONS 2022/23

a. Vibrant Culture Grants

Members were provided with application forms from various organisations requesting grant assistance.

The Deputy Chief Officer advised members that the Engagement and Events Team Manager had gone through the applications and provided their suggestions for members' consideration.

7.20 pm - The Chair re-connected to the meeting and took back the Chair from Councillor ES Goodjohn.

Members were asked to consider the Vibrant Culture grant applications received (including a Green Grant application) under the power of Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 General Power of Competence (GPoC). They were as follows

Organisation Name

Amount Awarded

£3,000

| Barry Arts Festival |
|------------------------------|
| Barry Community Craft Group |
| , , , |
| Barry Floral Society |
| T6S (formerly Brawd Health) |
| Crafted Arts |
| Glamorgan Music School |
| GlastonBarry/Mack Events |
| Have Your Say Stories |
| Hurts So Good |
| Little Daffodil Clothing |
| Barry-Tones |
| Motion Control Dance |
| Project Linus |
| Sweetshop Revolution |
| Tabernacle Studio CIC |
| Vale of Glamorgan Brass Band |
| TOTAL |

| £1,000 |
|----------------------------|
| £0 |
| £0 |
| £1,593 |
| £2,550 (See note below) |
| £0 |
| £0 |
| £4,800 |
| £0 |
| £3,000 |
| £4,000 |
| £1,100 |
| £0 |
| £0 |
| £2,511.14 (See note below) |
| £23,554.14 |
| |

Green Grant

| Organisation Name | Amount Awarded | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|--|--|
| Baobab Bach CIC – Barry | £350 | | |

Members felt that the Barry Floral Society did not meet the requirements of the Vibrant Culture Grant, however encourage them to apply for a Community grant once they are live.

Members requested to defer the application for T6S (formerly Brawd Health to the Small Business Grants in 2023/2024, asking if Officers could signpost them to the Vale of Glamorgan Council for a Vale Business Start-up Grant as the amount requested would be too large for this council, however they could be supported on a smaller scale.

Members wished to request more information from Glamorgan Music School wanting to know what the local benefit would be, noting that once the information is received and if approved, the application can be granted under urgent action.

Members asked for the following applications to be deferred to an Innovation Working Party for a wider discussion:

- GlastonBarry/Mack Events
- Have Your Say Stories

Members asked that the Chief Officer request more information from the Tabernacle Studio CIC to be provided to the next meeting of the Finance, Policy and General Purposes Committee scheduled for 3 April 2023.

Members also requested more information from the Vale of Glamorgan Brass Band wanting to know the benefit to Barry, noting that once the information is received and if approved, the application can be granted under urgent action.

RESOLVED:

1. That members considered the various applications for financial assistance, under the power of Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (GPoC), from the Council's Vibrant Culture grants budget and the Green Grants budget in 2022/23, in accordance with the Council's agreed criteria and that the Committee determine the amount to be awarded in relation to each organisation giving consideration to the eligibility of each of the applications accordingly;

- 2. That each organisation making application be informed of the Committee's decision accordingly, in writing, and that they be advised of a date for this year's ceremony.
- 3. That an Innovation Working Party is arranged to discuss applications received from GlastonBarry/Mack Events and Have Your Say Stories.
- 4. That the Chief Officer contact the Tabernacle Studio CIC for more information to be provided the Committee's next meeting to be held on 3 April 2023.

F64. **GDPR UPDATE**

Members were provided with a GDPR breach that had occurred. The Deputy Chief Officer advised that an email had been sent with Councillors personal email address in the carbon copy (Cc) section rather than the blind carbon copy (Bcc) section. An email was re-sent to those who had received the email asking for them to delete the previous email they had received. As the data breach had a low likelihood of the risk to people's rights and freedoms the risk is considered very low and therefore not necessary to report to the ICO

RESOLVED that the GDPR update be received and noted.

F65. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting of the Finance, Policy and General Purposes Committee is scheduled to be held on Monday 3 April 2023

Meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

Signed(Chairperson) Dated

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ACTION SHEET - FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE - 1 FEBRUARY 2023

| MINUTE NO. | ACTION TO BE TAKEN | ACTION TO | DATE ACTION | PROGRESS |
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| | | BE TAKEN BY | ΤΟ ΒΕ | |
| | | | CARRIED OUT | |
| F60 (2) | That a budget of £260 is approved in order for Shop Local to participate in the | | | |
| | Totally Locally "Fiver Fest" campaigns throughout the year. | DCO | 08/02/2023 | Complete |
| F 60 (3) | That a budget of £100 is approved in order to boost posts across Social Media. | DCO | 08/02/2023 | Complete |
| F 60 (4) | That a budget of £300 is approved (from the Shop Local reserve) to host a "Re- | | | |
| | launch Party" to celebrate the group's new branding & logo, involving all | | | |
| | traders. | DCO | 08/02/2023 | Complete |
| F 63 (1) | That members considered the various applications for financial assistance, | | | |
| | under the power of Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) | | | |
| | Act 2021 (GPoC), from the Council's Vibrant Culture grants budget and the | | | |
| | Green Grants budget in 2022/23, in accordance with the Council's agreed | | | |
| | criteria and that the Committee determine the amount to be awarded in | | | |
| | relation to each organisation giving consideration to the eligibility of each of | DCO and | | |
| | the applications accordingly; | Admin Team | | Complete |
| F 63 (2) | That each organisation making application be informed of the Committee's | | | |
| | decision accordingly, in writing, and that they be advised of a date for this | | | |
| | year's ceremony. | Admin Team | | Complete |
| F 63 (3) | That an Innovation Working Party is arranged to discuss applications received | | | |
| | from GlastonBarry/Mack Events and Have Your Say Stories. | со | | Complete |
| F 63 (4) | That the Chief Officer contact the Tabernacle Studio CIC for more information | | | |
| | to be provided the Committee's next meeting to be held on 3 April 2023. | со | 07/02/2023 | Complete - Email sent. Waiting for reply. |

BARRY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE INNOVATION WORKING PARTY HELD ON TUESDAY 7 MARCH 2023, AT 6PM

- **PRESENT:** Councillors Brooks (Chairperson), Johnson (substitute for Collins), N Hodges and Perkes (Substitute for E S Goodjohn)
- ALSO PRESENT: Emily Forbes Chief Officer Mark Sims – Deputy Chief Officer Rebecca Blackwell – Office Team Leader Councillor S Hodges – Observer Michelle Davies – Have your Say Stories Matthew Blumberg – Mack Events Johnathan Hicks – Mack Events

11. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

None received

12. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of interest were submitted by Councillors N & S Hodges in relation to item 5a

13. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015

RESOLVED that the Well-Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 be received and noted.

14. <u>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE INNOVATION WORKING PARTY</u> <u>MEETING HELD ON 28 JULY 2022</u>

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Innovation Working Party meeting held on 28 July 2022 be approved and signed as correct record.

15. <u>TO RECEIVE PRESENTATIONS IN RELATION TO FINANCIAL</u> <u>ASSISTANCE</u>

a) <u>Have Your Say Stories</u>

Members were presented with the original grant application form and received a presentation from Michelle Davies of Have Your Say Stories.

The Chair welcomed Michelle Davies of Have Your Say Stories, who were present to provide members with further information. The presentation advised where the podcast could be downloaded from, what age range podcasts are popular with, what topics will be covered on the podcast and what the grant will be used for.

The Chair asked how would the podcast be promoted and how would it get people attention. Michelle Davies advised that the bulk of the grant funding would be used towards marketing advising that Hi Communications would be utilised. Councillor Thomas asked how would the podcasts be accessed by those with disabilities. Michelle advised that they would be accessed via apple music or Spotify.

Councillor Perkes asked if there had been any market research with the podcast and when would they envisage reaching 5,000 listeners. Michelle advised that the plan is to launch in the summer and build momentum between each episode and would depend on social media and word of mouth.

Councillor Perkes also asked if there had been other quotes received for the marketing side of the podcast. Michelle advised that she would be using Hi Communications as they are local and are trustworthy.

Councillor Johnson noted that the presentation was a different reflection to the grant application, noting that a large percentage of the grant request would be used for marketing, purchasing the equipment asking how well are the costs nailed down. Michelle answered that the Hi Communication quote was a direct quote, she doesn't have the equipment so it would have to be purchased which would come from the grant if awarded. Michelle explained that the content of the podcast would be evergreen.

Councillors N and S Hodges declared an interest following the presentation as they were not aware that they would be approached as the Victorian Barry Experience to become part of the podcast, noting that they would leave the room when discussions take place.

The Chair thanked Michelle Davies advising that the Council will be in touch with the decision.

b) Mack Events

Matthew Blumberg of Mack events gave a presentation in relation to the reason they are applying for grant funding from the Council. Matthew advised members that GlastonBarry had grown significantly following its first event in which Barry Town Council supported, however since Covid the venture had taken a beating in relation to its finances and last years festival was held but was at a loss for Mack Events. Matthew also advised members that they have set up a Community Interest Company which will be holding its first free festival on Barry Waterfront to include live music, music workshops which will involve working with the Goodsheds and the Academy. The CIC will also enable young people who are looking to expand their skills to work and help at GlastonBarry in a way to develop them.

Following the presentation, members were asked if they had any questions.

Councillor Thomas asked what access provisions will there be for those who have additional needs and require wheelchair access. Matthew advised that there will be a large viewing platform for wheelchair users, disabled toilet facilities and dedicated access to the event.

Councillor Thomas also asked what is being done to expand on the Welsh Culture. Jonathan Hicks advised that the signs at the event will be bi-lingual, contact is being made to include a welsh language band to perform at the event.

Councillor Perkes noted that the ticket prices are reasonable but asked if provisions could be made for those who are not able to purchase the tickets and suggested free events throughout the town to make it accessible to all. Matthew advised that the ticket prices are very reasonable in comparison to other tribute festivals and that the festival is put on not to make large profits but to involve the community.

Discussions around the amount requested and its use was discussed in more detail with conversations relating to the Council potentially funding the full \pounds 17,000 for the hire of the big top tent and the potential of Barry Town Council working with Mack Events in relation to the CIC pointed towards the Civic engagement of the Council.

The Chair thanked Matthew and Johnathan for attending the meeting.

Councillors N and S Hodges left the room whilst Have Your Say Stories was discussed.

a) Have Your Say Stories

The Chair had concerns in relation to the proposed venture noting that it was not established which members found difficult to see its potential and what benefits it would have for the Council. The presentation made no mention to advertising Barry Town Council or recognising its funding.

Members felt that they were unable to support this idea in its current format, however if once established and the Council can help with further funding then they should be welcomed to apply at a later date.

RESOLVED: That the grant is not awarded however feedback is provided to the applicant advising that once the venture is established, they are welcome to apply for any future grant funding they feel they may need to help sustain the project.

Councillor N and S Hodges returned to the meeting.

b) Mack Events

The Chair believed that they need a kickstart boost to help the event and that it is a great event. Councillor Johnson said that the weekend pass is great value for money in terms of people being able to see quality tribute acts.

The Chief Officer advised members that the grant could be considered within the wider Vibrant Culture as these grants are quite restrictive, look at it as a corporate strategy and its long-term approach. Councillor N Hodges agreed noting that it can incorporate the role of the Mayor asking for a number of free tickets that could be raffled off to raise money for the mayor's charities.

The Chair advised that it is a great event for Barry and there would be an opportunity for the Councils branding to be seen by a large number of people, adding that the fringe events are a great idea to include the wider communities and their businesses.

Councillor Perkes suggested requesting that there are free events throughout the town and referenced something she had seen in Liverpool where tribute acts performed across the city. The Chair said that professional tribute acts come with a lot of technical equipment which costs and don't feel this is something that could be asked of Mack Events, Councillor Perkes noted that Liverpool have a lot more money but suggested they be asked the question.

The Chief Officer advised members if they wish to fund £17,000 to the event that it would need to be recommended to a Committee for authorisation.

RECOMMENDED: to the next meeting of Finance, Policy and General Purposes Committee or Full Council that the £17,000 be taken from the 2023/2024 budget as a wider long-term funding agreement, rather than a grant.

16. <u>EXPLORING A FOUR DAY WORKING WEEK – DEFERRED FROM A</u> <u>MEETING OF PERSONNEL HELD ON 14 NOVEMBER 2022</u>

The Chair questioned why had the suggestion was deferred to this committee. Councillor Perkes who is also the Chair of Personnel, advised that it an innovative idea that came to Personnel and it was felt that a wider discussion at a smaller working group was required, hence why coming to the Innovation Working Party.

Councillor Johnson provided a detailed overview of trials of four day working weeks, adding that he had concerns asking what consideration had been given to if this would work over the two locations of the Council, how would it effect part-time workers, how would it work for each individual as each have different demands, asking how would the Council take this forward.

The Chief Officer advised that global trials had taken place in which 60 organisations were based in the UK, with 2 in Wales. The Chief Officer wanted to know what the Councils steer is on the idea of a four-day working week prior to any in depth work is carried out, asking if there could be a policy position on whether to explore it further.

The Chair felt that it is too big for the Innovation Working Party and suggested it is discussed at another working party from Personnel. Councillor Johnson felt that the council are inching towards the idea of it but more work is needed before a decision can be made. Councillor Thomas suggested that it could go to a Wellbeing Working Party for discussion. Councillor N Hodges advised that it needs a core group to discuss further and that it would need to need into both the Personnel Committee and the Halls, Cemeteries and Community Facilities Committees as it would affect both.

Councillor Johnson asked for timescales, adding to the idea that if Welsh Government are working on the idea then there could be pots of money available.

Councillor Perkes would like to have more examples of the trial working at other Councils before deciding.

The Chief Officer asked that if there is merit in exploring the idea, then a recommendation could be made to Finance, Policy and General Purposes to agree to explore it further and put more work into the gathering of information. The Chair suggested that the decision be made by Group Leaders as to which group was best to look at this to speed up the process.

RESOLVED:

That in principle, the Chief Officer can explore this idea further. That the discussion is taken to the Wellbeing Working Group for further detailed discussion, and that Group Leaders are happy to send the recommendation from the Innovation Working Party to the Wellbeing Working Group.

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting of the Innovation Working Party Committee will be scheduled as and when required.

Meeting closed at 8:10pm.

Signed (Chairperson) Dated

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ACTION SHEET - INNOVATION WORKING PARTY 7 MARCH 2023

| MINUTE NO. | ACTION TO BE TAKEN | ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY | DATE ACTION TO BE CARRIED OUT | PROGRESS |
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| 15(a) | | | | |
| | That the grant is not awarded however feedback is provided to the applicant | | | |
| | advising that once the venture is established, they are welcome to apply for any | | | |
| | future grant funding they feel they may need to help sustain the project. | DCO | | |
| 15(b) | To the next meeting of Finance, Policy and General Purposes Committee or Full Council that the £17,000 be taken from the 2023/2024 budget as a wider long-term funding agreement, rather than a grant. | DCO | | On agenda |
| 13(0) | | DCO | | Oll agenua |
| | That in principle, the Chief Officer can explore this idea further. That the discussion is taken to the Wellbeing Working Group for further detailed discussion, and that Group Leaders are happy to send the recommendation from the language Working Crown | | | |
| 16 | the Innovation Working Party to the Wellbeing Working Group. | со | | In progress |

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS FOR MARCH 2023

Report Author

Rachel Williams, Finance Administrator

<u>Attached:</u> A. Schedule of Payments of Accounts for March 2023 (7 pages)

Purpose of Report

To provide members with the schedule of payments for March 2023 consisting of direct debits and BACS payments, in the amount of \pounds 76,286.70 that is attached on the following pages.

Background Information

Financial Regulation 5.2 states "The RFO shall prepare a schedule of payments of accounts, including cheques requiring authorisation, forming part of the Agenda for the Meeting and, together with the relevant invoices, present the schedule on a monthly basis either to a meeting of the Town Council or any Standing Committee, depending on which meets first. The Council / Committee shall review the schedule for compliance and, having satisfied itself shall authorise payment by a resolution of the Council or appropriate Committee."

The schedule of payments for March 2023 consisting of direct debits and BACS payments, in the amount of £76,286.70 is attached for approval.

Recommendation

Members are requested to approve the schedule of payments for March 2023 consisting of direct debits and BACS payments, in the amount of \pounds 76,286.70 that is attached on the following pages.

| Schedule of Payments of Accounts For March 2023 | | | | | | |
|---|----------------------|---|--------|-------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| <u>Chq No.</u> | <u>Supplier</u> | Description | Net | Vat | Price (£) | Posted To |
| DD | British Gas | Gas bill (15.12.2022 - 07.01.2023) | 126.63 | 25.33 | 151.96 | Pioneer Hall/Gas |
| DD | Lloyds Bank | Charges incurred from 1 December - 31 December 2022 | 19.90 | 0.00 | 19.90 | M&S/Bank Charges |
| DD | Vodafone | Monthly rental of six mobile phones & calls for Jan 2023 | 85.21 | 17.04 | 102.28 | M&S/Telephone |
| DD | Vodafone | Monthly rental of one mobile phone & calls for Jan 2023 | 17.36 | 3.47 | 20.83 | Cemetery/Telephone |
| DD | Vodafone | Monthly rental of mobile WI-Fi for January 2023 | 33.82 | 6.76 | 40.58 | Cemetery/Broadband |
| BACS | Running IMP | Wooden medals for Santa Fun Run event | 646.56 | 0.00 | 646.56 | Corporate/Corporate Events |
| BACS | Digital Systems UK | Photocopier costs | 180.50 | 36.10 | 216.60 | M&S/Photocopier Costs |
| BASC | Tip TopToilets | Hire of portaloo at Porthkerry Cemetery 01.01.23-31.01.23 | 110.72 | 22.14 | 132.86 | Porthkerry/Prop Maintenance |
| BACS | Churches Fire | Intruder Alarm System & monotoring (01.02.23-31.01.24) | 271.92 | 54.38 | 326.30 | PH/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | Churches Fire | Intruder Alarm System & Fire Alarm service | 125.29 | 25.06 | 150.35 | Cem/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | Churches Fire | Intruder Alarm System (01.02.23-31.01.24) | 59.82 | 11.96 | 71.78 | Cem/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | Churches Fire | Intruder Alarm System & monotoring (01.02.23-31.01.24) | 299.12 | 59.82 | 358.94 | Cem/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | Auditing Solutions | 2nd Interim Internal Audit service 2022-23 | 480.00 | 96.00 | 576.00 | M&S/Internal Audit |
| BACS | Churches Fire | Intruder Alarm System & monotoring (01.02.23-31.01.24) | 311.52 | 62.30 | 373.82 | CACC/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | Holt JCB | Repairs to JCB | 268.02 | 53.60 | 321.62 | Cem/Equipment Maintenance |
| DD | British Gas | Electricity bill (21.12.2022 - 16.01.2023) | 88.56 | 4.42 | 92.98 | Pioneer Hall/Electricity |
| DD | British Gas | Electricity bill (22.12.2022 - 21.01.2023) | 318.49 | 63.70 | 382.19 | Cemetery/Electricity |
| DD | British Gas | Electricity bill (29.12.2022 -28.01.2023) | 450.54 | 90.11 | 540.65 | Cemetery/Electricity |
| DD | Waterlogic | Water cooler costs | 81.99 | 16.40 | 98.39 | Cemetery/Equipment |
| DD | Lloyds Cardnet | Cardnet service charges (01.01.23 - 31.01.23) | 26.06 | 0.00 | 26.06 | M&S/Bank Charges |
| DD | Lloyds Bank | Charges incurred from 1 January - 31 January 2023 | 45.40 | 0.00 | 45.40 | M&S/Bank Charges |
| DD | N Power | Electricity bill 901.01.2023 - 31.01.2023) | 204.37 | 10.22 | 204.37 | CACC/Electricity |
| DD | Vodafone | Monthly rental of six mobile phones & calls for Feb 2023 | 85.21 | 17.04 | 102.28 | M&S/Telephone |
| DD | Vodafone | Monthly rental of one mobile phone & calls for Feb 2023 | 17.36 | 3.47 | 20.83 | Cemetery/Telephone |
| DD | Vodafone | Monthly rental of mobile WI-Fi for Febuary 2023 | 33.82 | 6.76 | 40.58 | Cemetery/Broadband |
| BACS | Intergrated Graphics | Instaframe for photo opportunities at events | 38.00 | 7.60 | 45.60 | Corporate/Corporate Events |
| BACS | Masons | Storage charge for one container plus insurance | 30.36 | 5.20 | | M&S/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | | Annual test and inspection of lighting protection system | 310.00 | 62.00 | | Cem/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | Future CCTV | Attendance to investigate CCTV Online/Offline issues | 60.00 | 12.00 | 72.00 | CACC/Property Maintenance |

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| <u>Chq No.</u> | <u>Supplier</u> | Description | Net | <u>Vat</u> | Price (£) Posted To | |
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| DD | Sage UK Ltd | Sage Payroll maintenance cover 01.01.23 - 31.01.23 | 87.20 | 17.44 | 104.64 M&S/Equipment Maintenance | |
| DD | BT | Monthly broadband bill for January | 33.45 | 6.69 | 40.14 CACC/Broadband | |
| | BT | Monthly broadband bill for February | 33.45 | 6.69 | 40.14 CACC/Broadband | |
| DD | Screwfix | Squire High Security Padlock 50mm | 34.49 | 6.90 | 41.39 Cem/Property Maintenance | |
| DD | Screwfix | Squire High Security Padlock 50mm | -34.49 | -6.90 | -41.39 Cem/Property Maintenance | |
| DD | Cariad Cool Water | Water replenishment for office water cooler | 14.84 | 2.97 | 17.81 M&S/Equipment | |
| DD | Sage UK Ltd | Sage Payroll maintenance cover 01.02.23 - 28.02.23 | 87.20 | 17.44 | 104.64 M&S/Equipment Maintenance | |
| DD | SCG | Monthly call charges for February | 13.35 | 2.52 | 16.02 M&S/Telephone | |
| DD | SCG | Monthly broadband charges for February | 223.08 | 44.61 | 267.69 M&S/Broadband | |
| DD | SCG | Support Service for the month of February | 31.44 | 6.29 | 37.73 M&S/Equipment Maintanence | |
| BACS | Microshade VSM | Citrix hosting service & Microsoft office for February 2022 | 687.04 | 137.41 | 824.45 M&S/Citrix | |
| BACS | Addacard | 10 Key Fobs for office | 91.00 | 18.20 | 109.20 M&S/Equipment | |
| BACS | Lapider | Design fees for canteen refurbishment at Cemetery | 1,950.00 | 390.00 | 2,340.00 Cem/Proffesional fees | |
| BACS | Integrated Graphics | Pull up banner for evnt use | 90.00 | 18.00 | 108.00 Corporate/Corporate Events | |
| BACS | Employee no188 | Reimbursement of items for Santa Fun Run event | 170.91 | 0.00 | 170.91 Corporate/Corporate Events | |
| BACS | Airquee | Financial Assistance Grant Payment for Scouts | 1,244.00 | 248.80 | 1,492.80 Corporate/Grants | |
| BACS | Keep Wales Tidy | Green Flag Application Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery | 450.00 | 90.00 | 540.00 Cem/Property Maintenance | |
| BACS | Totally Locally Ltd | Fiver Fest March 2023 | 100.00 | 20.00 | 120.00 Corporate/Shop Local | |
| BACS | Council HR Support | Review into working environment & operations at BTC | 4,201.57 | 0.00 | 4,201.57 M&S/Professional Fees | |
| BACS | TL Computer Systems | LCD display touch screen digitizer assembly for tablet | 83.33 | 16.67 | 100.00 M&S/Equipment Maintenance | |
| BACS | Glamorgan Star | Marie Curie support advert - 9th February addition | 52.00 | 10.40 | 62.40 Civic/Mayor's Advertising | |
| BACS | Clerks & Council | Freedom Scrolls | 235.55 | 47.11 | 282.66 Corporate/Corporate Events | |
| DD | BT | Quarterly broadband bill | 133.80 | 26.76 | 160.56 Cemetery/Broadband | |
| DD | BT | Quarterly broadband bill | 133.80 | 26.76 | 160.56 Cemetery/Broadband | |
| BACS | S&G Air Conditioning | Call out to Chapel for maintenance | 150.00 | 0.00 | 150.00 Cem/Property Maintenance | |
| BACS | Engage Training | Lantra Basic Tree Inspection Course fee | 250.00 | 50.00 | 300.00 Corporate/Staff Training | |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Computer for use at office | 649.00 | 129.80 | 778.80 M&S/Equipment | |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Monitor for use at office | 143.33 | 28.67 | 172.00 M&S/Equipment | |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Zoom monthly fee | 79.00 | 0.00 | 79.00 Corp/Community Engagement | |

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| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Staff training material | 59.95 | 11.99 | | Corporate/Staff Training |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Survey Monkey annual fee | 340.00 | 68.00 | | Corp/Community Engagement |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Canva Software fee | 99.34 | 0.00 | | M&S/Equipment |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Non sterling transaction fee | 2.93 | 0.00 | 2.93 | M&S/Equipment |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Dell computer equipment for office use | 1,248.33 | 249.67 | 1,498.00 | M&S/Equipment |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Heavy duty rubber door stops | 9.16 | 1.83 | | M&S/Equipment |
| DD | Lloyds Credit Card | Kingston A400 SSD Internal solid state drive 480GB | 25.83 | 5.17 | 31.00 | M&S/Equipment |
| BACS | Consortium | Polyfold Square Table | 123.98 | 24.80 | 148.78 | CACC/Equipment |
| BACS | One Voice Wales | Preparation for and attendance at hearing | 690.00 | 0.00 | 690.00 | M&S/Professional Fees |
| BACS | Masons | Storage charge for one container plus insurance | 33.61 | 5.76 | 39.37 | M&S/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | Holt JCB | Repairs to JCB | 248.88 | 49.78 | 298.66 | Cem/Equipment Maintenance |
| BACS | Holt JCB | Risk assesment & annual service | 478.00 | 95.60 | 573.60 | Cem/Equipment Maintenance |
| BACS | Dr Bob Balloons | Table arrangements for Bryan Foley Awards | 57.75 | 0.00 | 57.75 | Corporate/Corporate Events |
| BACS | Dr Bob Balloons | Purple Balloons for International Women's Day event | 47.98 | 12.00 | 59.98 | Corporate/Corporate Events |
| DD | Biffa | Hire of the skip and excess tonnage charge | 412.58 | 82.58 | 495.10 | Cem/Property Maintenance |
| DD | Waterlogic | Office water cooler rental & service charge | 62.19 | 12.44 | 74.63 | M&S/Equipment |
| DD | Welsh Water | Water bill (03.08.2022 - 21.02.2023) | 185.97 | 0.00 | 185.97 | Pioneer Hall/Water |
| DD | Welsh Water | Water bill (03.08.2022 - 21.02.2023) | 737.64 | 0.00 | 737.64 | Cemetery/Water |
| DD | Welsh Water | Water bill (04.08.2022 - 23.02.2023) | 143.43 | 0.00 | 143.43 | Cemetery/Water |
| BACS | Employee 001 | W.F.H allowance and HP ink costs (October - April) | 184.62 | 0.00 | 184.62 | M&S/Officers Travel |
| DD | PHS Group | Hazardous waste services (23.01.23 - 23.01.2024) | 50.00 | 10.00 | 60.00 | Cemetery/Hygiene |
| BACS | ICCM | Online Sexton duties training course fee | 80.00 | 16.00 | 96.00 | Corporate/Staff Training |
| BACS | Tip Top Toilets | Hire of portaloo for use at Porthkerry Cemetery | 100.00 | 20.00 | 120.00 | Porthkerry/Prop Maintenance |
| BACS | TL Computer Systems | 32GB Micro SDHC, 2 TB External HDD | 64.17 | 12.83 | 77.00 | M&S/Equipment |
| BACS | PD Flagpole | Cemetery Loler | 239.00 | 0.00 | 239.00 | Cem/Property Maintenance |
| BACS | RIM Motors | Maintenance to cemetery vehicle | 474.00 | 94.80 | 568.80 | Cem/Vehicle Maintenance |
| BACS | High Speed Training | Various online training courses | 243.00 | 48.60 | 291.60 | Corporate/Staff Training |
| BACS | SLCC | Community Building Management event fee | 120.00 | 24.00 | | Corporate/Staff Training |
| BACS | Green Circle | 20 tonne screened soil grade 1 | 700.00 | 140.00 | | Cem/Property Maintenance |

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| <u>Chq No.</u> | Supplier | <u>Description</u> | <u>Net</u> | <u>Vat</u> | Price (£) Posted To | |
| BACS | Employee 185 | Staff Mileage Claim | 35.98 | 1.07 | 37.05 M&S/Officer Travel | |
| DD | Pitney Bowes | Franking machine quarterly rental & maintenance | 111.19 | 22.24 | 133.43 M&S/Equipment | |
| DD | British Gas | Gas bill (08.01.2023 - 11.02.2023) | 381.59 | 19.08 | 400.67 Pioneer Hall/Gas | |
| DD | British Gas | Electricity bill (29.01.2023 - 28.02.2023) | 456.59 | 91.32 | 547.91 Cemetery/Electric | |
| DD | N Power | Electricity bill (01.02.2023 - 28.02.2023) | 185.67 | 9.28 | 194.95 CACC/Electric | |
| DD | Lloyds Bank | Charges incurred 01 February to 28 February 2023 | 32.20 | 0.00 | 32.20 M&S/Bank Charges | |
| DD | Waterlogic | Water for office water cooler | 51.18 | 10.24 | 61.42 M&S/Equipment | |
| DD | Viking | A4 Paper for printing | 94.75 | 18.95 | 113.70 M&S/Stationary | |
| DD | Welsh Water | Water bill (03.08.2022 - 21.02.2023) | 233.16 | 0.00 | 233.16 CACC/Water | |
| DD | British Gas | Electricity bill (17.01.2023 - 17.02.20230 | 164.14 | 8.20 | 172.34 Pioneer Hall/Electricity | |
| DD | British Gas | Electricity bill (22.01.2023 - 21.02.2023) | 363.06 | 72.61 | 435.67 Cemetery/Electricity | |
| DD | Lloyds Cardnet | Cardnet fees for the month of February | 37.25 | 0.00 | 37.25 M&S/Bank Charges | |
| DD | SCG | Office telephone charges for the month of January | 25.05 | 5.01 | 30.06 M&S/Telephone | |
| DD | SCG | Office broadband cost for the month of January | 303.56 | 60.71 | 364.27 M&S/Broadband | |
| DD | SCG | Broadband support services package cost for January | 42.79 | 8.56 | 51.35 M&S/Equipment Maint | |
| DD | Screwfix | 120 Pu Palm Dip Gloves, 380 Latex Builders Gloves | 48.33 | 9.67 | 58.00 Cemetery/Equipment | |
| BACS | NACO | Delegate fee at NACO Training Event | 150.00 | 0.00 | 150.00 Corporate/Staff Training | |
| BACS | Fair Do's | Contribution towards prizes for VOG Fairtrade Youth | 30.00 | 0.00 | 30.00 Corporate/Fairtrade | |
| BACS | Breakthrough Communic | Civility and Respect training | 60.00 | 12.00 | 72.00 Corporate/Staff Training | |
| BACS | 372 (Barry) Squadron AT | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | Barry Round Table | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 600.00 | 0.00 | 600.00 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | Flying Start | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 1,133.74 | 0.00 | 1,133.74 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | Soroptimist International | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 593.41 | 0.00 | 593.41 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | Vale of Glmaorgan Broad | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | - | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 660.00 | 0.00 | 660.00 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | Vale Voices | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 347.50 | 0.00 | 347.50 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | YMCA Barry | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 1,561.21 | 0.00 | 1,561.21 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | Karry's Deli | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 Corporate/Community Grants | |
| BACS | Speight Consultancy | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 Corporate/Community Grants | |

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| BACS | Vinylise Printing | Financial Assistance Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Barry Arts Festival | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 3,000.00 | 0.00 | 3,000.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Barry Community Craft G | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Crafted Arts | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 1,593.00 | 0.00 | 1,593.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Hurts so Good | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 4,800.00 | 0.00 | 4,800.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Motion Control Dance | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 4,000.00 | 0.00 | 4,000.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Project Linus | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 1,100.00 | 0.00 | 1,100.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Baobab Bach CIC | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 350.00 | 0.00 | 350.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Glamorgan Music School | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 2,500.00 | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Vale of Glamorgan Brass | Vibrant Culture Grant Payment | 2,511.14 | 0.00 | 2,511.14 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Barry Island Primary Sch | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | High Street Primary Scho | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Jenner Park Primary Sch | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | St Helens Catholic Prima | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Ysgol Gwuan Y Nant | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Cadoxton Primary Schoo | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Colcot Primary School | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Gladstone Primary Schoo | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Holton Road Primary Sch | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Romilly Primary School | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 750.00 | 0.00 | 750.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Whitmore High School | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Pencoedtre High School | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | St Rchard Gwyn R/C | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Majestic Essentials UK | Shop Local Grant | 436.00 | 0.00 | 436.00 | Corpoarte/Shop Local |
| BACS | Caer Health Services | OHP referral Telephone Consultation | 195.00 | 0.00 | 195.00 | M&S/Professional Fees |
| BACS | Advanced Fire Protection | Service of fire equipment | 152.22 | 30.46 | 182.68 | PH/Property Maintenance |
| DD | BNP Paribas | Office Telecoms 07.04.23 - 06.07.23 | 384.57 | 76.91 | | M&S/Telephone |
| DD | BT | Broadband charges for the month of March 2023 | 44.95 | 8.99 | 53.94 | CACC/Broadband |
| DD | BT | Broadband charges for the month of February 2023 | 41.67 | 8.33 | 50.00 | CACC/Broadband |

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| DD | Vofafone | Monthly rental of six mobile phones & calls for March 2023 | 81.74 | 16.35 | 98.09 M&S/Telephone | |
| DD | Vofafone | Monthly rental of one mobile phone & calls for March 2023 | 20.63 | 4.13 | 24.76 Cemetery/Telephone | |
| DD | Vofafone | Monthly rental of mobile WI-Fi for March 2023 | 33.82 | 6.76 | 40.58 Cemetery/Broadband | |
| BACS | Bruno Timber | Machined round pointed fence posts | 176.00 | 35.20 | 211.20 Cem/Property Maintenance | |
| | CJ Ball & Son | Memorial removal & maintenance | 495.00 | 0.00 | 495.00 Cem/Property Maintenance | |
| DD | UK Fuels | Fuel for Cemetery Vehicles | 63.02 | 12.60 | 75.62 Cemetery/Fuel | |
| DD | UK Fuels | Fleet Control and Insights fuel card monthly charge | 1.00 | 0.20 | 1.20 Cemetery/Fuel | |
| DD | UK Fuels | Fuel for Cemetery Vehicles | 94.17 | 18.83 | 113.00 Cemetery/Fuel | |
| DD | UK Fuels | Fuel for Cemetery Vehicles | 53.51 | 10.70 | 64.21 Cemetery/Fuel | |
| DD | UK Fuels | Fuel for Cemetery Vehicles | 112.32 | 22.46 | 134.78 Cemetery/Fuel | |
| DD | UK Fuels | Fuel for Cemetery Vehicles | 80.62 | 16.12 | 96.74 Cemetery/Fuel | |
| DD | Virgin Media | Alarm line rental and calls for 09.01.23-08.02.23 | 18.73 | 3.75 | 22.48 PH/Telephone | |
| DD | Virgin Media | Broadband 09.01.23 - 08.02.23 | 32.00 | 6.40 | 38.40 PH/Broadband | |
| DD | Virgin Media | Alarm line rental and calls for 09.02.23-08.03.23 | 19.42 | 3.88 | 23.30 PH/Telephone | |
| DD | Virgin Media | Broadband 09.02.23 - 08.03.23 | 32.00 | 6.40 | 38.40 PH/Broadband | |
| DD | Virgin Media | Alarm line rental and calls for 09.03.23-08.04.23 | 18.79 | 3.76 | 22.55 PH/Telephone | |
| DD | Virgin Media | Broadband 09.03.23 - 08.04.23 | 32.00 | 6.40 | 38.40 PH/Broadband | |
| DD | Viking | Stationary supplies for office use | 58.46 | 11.69 | 70.15 M&S/Stationary | |
| DD | Viking | Stationary supplies for office use | 66.11 | 13.22 | 79.33 M&S/Stationary | |
| DD | Viking | Stationary supplies for office use | 86.36 | 17.27 | 103.63 M&S/Stationary | |
| DD | Viking | Stationary supplies for office use | 75.35 | 15.07 | 90.42 M&S/Stationary | |
| DD | Viking | Stationary supplies for office use | 14.89 | 2.98 | 17.87 M&S/Stationary | |
| BACS | Memo | Archive storage space at Memo for Jan, Feb & March 23 | 1,314.00 | 262.80 | 1,576.80 M&S/Office Rent | |
| BACS | Newhall | Cleaning supplies for use at office | 148.15 | 29.63 | 177.78 M&S/Cleaning | |
| BACS | AWB Electrical | Install new smoke and heat detector at Lodge | 400.00 | 0.00 | 400.00 Cem/Property Maintenance | |
| BACS | Seton | 40 Bags of white salt for use at Cemetery | 355.94 | 71.19 | 427.13 Cem/Property Maintenance | |
| BACS | Sue Egan | Workplace reasonable adjustment to support disability | 320.00 | 0.00 | 320.00 M&S/Professional Fees | |
| BACS | Future Publishing | Recruitment advert for Enagement & Events Manager | 276.00 | 55.20 | 331.20 Corp/Recruitment Advertising | |

| BACS | Ysgol Bro Morgannwg | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
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| BACS | Ysgol Bro Morgannwg | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Oak Field Primary | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Ysgol Sant Baruc | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Ysgol Sant Curig | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | All Saints Church in Wal | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| BACS | Palmerston Primary | Books For Schools Grant Payment | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00 | Corporate/Community Grants |
| Total Fo | r This Period | | 72,048.16 | 4,248.62 | 76,286.70 | |
| Total For Previous Periods | | | 332,673.51 | 44,515.80 | 377,358.51 | |
| Total to | 31 March 2023 | | 404,721.67 | 48,764.41 | 453,645.21 | |

BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 28 FEBRUARY 2023

Report Author

Mark Sims, Deputy Chief Officer

- Attached: A. Budget Monitoring Report February 2023 (2 pages)
 - B. Projected Reserves at 31 March 2023 (as at 28 February 2023) (1 page)

Purpose of Report

To inform members about the Council's income and expenditure in the 2022/23 financial year as at the end of February 2023.

Background Information

On the following pages is the budget monitoring report February 2023, indicating actual income and expenditure up to the end of month eleven in the 2022/23 financial year. In addition, the projected out turn for the current financial year is provided highlighting anticipated overspends and under-spends on various budget headings currently projecting a net underspend of **£58,106** that will result in a net amount of £3,931 being transferred from reserves rather than an amount of £62,037 in the revised budget for 2022/23.

Recommendation

Members are requested to receive the budget monitoring report for February 2023, indicating actual income and expenditure up to the end of month eleven in the 2022/23 financial year, noting the projected underspend of **£58,106** for 2022/23 that will result in a net amount of £3,931 being transferred from reserves.

Budget Monitoring Report February 2023

| Description | Item No. | Budget | Expenditure Expenditure | Committed | Balance | Budget | Year End | Projecte |
|---|----------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| | | 12 Months £ | 11 Months £ | Expenditure £ | £ | For Year £ | Projections £ | Variance £ |
| | | 2 | | | 2 | 2 | 2 | ~ |
| Salaries | 1 | 819,212 | 740,942 | 61,102 | 17,168 | 819,212 | 802,044 | 17,16 |
| Pension Added Years Costs Personal Hygiene Facilities | 2 | 9,600 1,995 | 6,940 1,311 | 2,323 | 337 | 9,600 1,995 | 9,263 1,995 | 33 |
| Personal Protective Equipment / Clothing | 3 | 3,375 | 2,528 | 447 | 400 | 3,375 | 2,975 | 40 |
| Cleaning Products | 3 | 2,700 | 2,344 | 566 | -210 | 2,700 | 2,910 | -21 |
| Officers Travel and Subsistence | 4 | 2,700 | 1,187 | 205 | 1,308 | 2,700 | 1,392 | 1,30 |
| Rates Water | 5 | 13,775 4,050 | 13,119 2,536 | 0 741 | 656 773 | 4,050 | 13,119 3,277 | 65 |
| Rent | 7 | 36,256 | 36,256 | 0 | 0 | 36,256 | 36,256 | |
| Electricity | 8 | 7,790 | 8,122 | 1,502 | -1,834 | 7,790 | 9,624 | -1,83 |
| Gas | 9 | 1,250 | 1,075 | 400 | -225 | 1,250 | 1,475 | -22 |
| Telephone | 10 | 4,465 2,000 | 3,110 1,249 | 464 251 | 891 500 | 4,465 2,000 | 3,574 1,500 | 89 |
| Printing and Stationery | 12 | 2,500 | 1,706 | 294 | 500 | 2,500 | 2,000 | 50 |
| Insurance | 13 | 5,310 | 5,920 | 0 | -610 | 5,310 | 5,920 | -61 |
| Photocopier Costs | 14 | 3,976 | 2,078 | 128 | 1,770 | 3,976 | 2,206 | 1,77 |
| Property Maintenance and Improvements Equipment | 15 16 | 38,200 14,125 | 40,784 10,026 | 6,532 5,417 | -9,116 -1,318 | 38,200 14,125 | 47,316 15,443 | -9,1 ⁻ -1,3 ⁻ |
| Equipment Maintenance | 17 | 13,700 | 4,772 | 3,078 | 5,850 | 13,700 | 7,850 | 5,85 |
| Bank Charges | 18 | 960 | 748 | 27 | 185 | 960 | 775 | 18 |
| Audit Fees - Internal | 19 | 1,425 | 960 | 480 | -15 | 1,425 | 1,440 | - |
| Legal Fees | 20 | 6,000 | 662 | 25,338 | -20,000 | 6,000 | 26,000 | -20,00 |
| Audit Fees - External Professional Fees | 21 22 | 460 6,000 | 0 36 514 | 460 2,085 | -32,599 | 460 6,000 | 460 38,599 | 20 5 |
| Professional Fees General Salaries Contingency | 22 | 6,000 | 36,514 35,465 | 2,085 | -32,599 | 6,000 | 38,599 | -32,5 |
| Health and Safety | 23 | 11,900 | 3,176 | 8,724 | -8,900 | 11,900 | 11,900 | -0,9 |
| nternet Broadband | 25 | 4,812 | 4,917 | 77 | -182 | 4,812 | 4,994 | -1 |
| Election Costs | 28 | 30,000 | 51,448 | 0 | -21,448 | 30,000 | 51,448 | -21,4 |
| BACAS Burials System Annual Maintenance | 29 | 2,550 | 2,594 | 0 | -44 | 2,550 | 2,594 | |
| Vicroshade Citrix Velsh Translation Service | 30 31 | 8,427 4,000 | 7,994 | 798 3,791 | -365 0 | 8,427 4,000 | 8,792 4,000 | -3 |
| Horticulture | 8 | 4,000 | 209 | 3,791 | 0 | 4,000 | 4,000 | + |
| /ehicle Maintenance | 11 | 1,800 | 2,465 | 0 | -665 | 1,800 | 2,465 | -6 |
| laulage and Fuel | 12 | 5,371 | 7,520 | 1,680 | -3,829 | 5,371 | 9,200 | -3,8 |
| /ehicle Tax and Insurance | 13 | 583 | 585 | 0 | -2 | 583 | 585 | |
| Philadelphia Cemetery | 14 | 500 | 0 | 500 | 0 | 500 | 500 | |
| nterest on PWLB Loan Capital Repayment on PWLB Loan | 15 16 | 1,338 10,464 | 1,338 10,463 | 0 | 0 | 1,338 10,464 | 1,338 | |
| Freework Maintenance | 17 | 6,195 | 2,025 | 4,170 | 0 | 6,195 | 6,195 | |
| Cemetery Roads Maintenance | 19 | 3,000 | 1,980 | 1,020 | 0 | 3,000 | 3,000 | |
| Memorial Safety Advertising | 20 | 250 | 0 | 250 | 0 | 250 | 250 | |
| Subscriptions | 21 | 850 | 625 | 0 | 225 | 850 | 625 | 2 |
| Cemetery Approach Gardens Property Maintenance | 26 | 0 | 694 | 0 | -694 | 0 | 694 | -6 |
| Bees at Cemetery New Play Equipment | 27 11 | 1,600 | 288 | 0 | -288 1,600 | 0 1,600 | 288 | -2 |
| Civic Hospitality | 1 | 2,200 | 3,316 | 0 | -1,116 | 2,200 | 3,316 | -1,1 |
| Mayor's Hospitality | 2 | 500 | 6 | 494 | 0 | 500 | 500 | |
| Mayor's Medallions and Plaques | 3 | 2,000 | 24 | 2,500 | -524 | 2,000 | 2,524 | -5 |
| Photographical Services | 4 | 250 | 210 | 40 | 0 | 250 | 250 | - |
| Mayor's Allowance inc. On Cost Deputy Mayor's Allowance inc. On Cost | 5 | 1,619 500 | 1,872 500 | 0 | -253 0 | 1,619 500 | 1,872 | -2 |
| Mayor's Travel | 5 | 500 | 431 | 69 | 0 | 500 | 500 | |
| Mayor's Donations | 7 | 750 | 613 | 137 | 0 | 750 | 750 | |
| Nayor's Advertising | 8 | 750 | 443 | 307 | 0 | 750 | 750 | |
| Civic Gifts | 9 | 500 | 410 | 90 | 0 | 500 | 500 | |
| Corporate Events | 3 | 40,000 | 28,956 | 9,294 | 1,750 | 40,000 | 38,250 | 1,7 |
| Corporate Advertising and Marketing Corporate Engagement Strategy | 4 | 4,000 7,000 | 3,270 1,088 | 230 | 500 5,912 | 4,000 7,000 | 3,500 1,088 | 5,9 |
| Shop Local Campaign | 6 | 10,000 | 9,337 | 8,426 | -7,763 | 10,000 | 17,763 | -7,7 |
| Community Grants | 7 | 53,883 | 24,863 | 22,498 | 6,522 | 53,883 | 47,361 | 6,5 |
| Grant to Pioneers Club re use of hall | 8 | 1,270 | 0 | 0 | 1,270 | 1,270 | 0 | 1,2 |
| Vebsite Costs | 9 | 2,000 | 770 | 1,230 | 0 | 2,000 | 2,000 | + |
| airtrade Campaign Subscriptions | 10 11 | 1,000 9,652 | 195 9,339 | 805 25 | 0 288 | 1,000 9,652 | 1,000 9,364 | 2 |
| Councillor Training | 12 | 4,000 | 9,339 | 1,067 | 2,500 | 9,052 | 9,364 | 2,5 |
| Staff Training | 13 | 20,000 | 14,970 | 1,030 | 4,000 | 20,000 | 16,000 | 4,0 |
| Councillor Allowances | 14 | 2,000 | 1,230 | 70 | 700 | 2,000 | 1,300 | 7 |
| Councillor Tablets | 15 | 792 | 720 | 72 | 0 | 792 | 792 | |
| Councillor Emails | 16 17 | 391 | 396 0 | 0 | -5 0 | 391 | 396 | + |
| Staff Suggestion Scheme Sustainable Barry Initiative | 17 | 500 | 537 | 0 | 9,463 | 500 | 500 537 | 9,4 |
| Community Plan | 10 | 3,000 | 0 | 0 | 3,403 | 3,000 | 0 | 3,4 |
| ong Service Award | 20 | 500 | 0 | 500 | 0 | 500 | 500 | |
| Barry Youth Action | 1 | 3,000 | 338 | 32 | 2,630 | 3,000 | 370 | 2,6 |
| Dementia Friendly Project | 2 | 3,000 | 0 | 0 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 0 | 3,0 |
| Cemetery Roads Improvement | 4 | 22,500 4,000 | 22,574 3,413 | 0 | -74 587 | 22,500 4,000 | 22,574 3,413 | - 5 |
| Provison of Arts and Entertainment (LGA 1972 S145) | 9 | 4,000 | 15,044 | 8,511 | 126,445 | 4,000 | 23,555 | 126,4 |
| Aindfulness Garden at Cemetery Approach Gardens | 10 | 0 | 0 | 9,000 | -9,000 | 0 | 9,000 | -9,0 |
| Kubota G261 Ride on Mower | 11 | 0 | 12,750 | 0 | -12,750 | 0 | 12,750 | -12,7 |
| Rival Electric Commercial Mower (Green Machine) | 12 | 0 | 26,958 | 0 | -26,958 | 0 | 26,958 | -26,9 |
| Commemorative Bench | 13 | 0 | 0 | 1,500 | -1,500 | 0 | 1,500 | -1,5 |
| Cemetery Lodge Windows Covid-19 Expenditure | 14 | 0 7,000 | 5,773 | 0 | -5,773 6,916 | 0 7,000 | 5,773 | -5,7 6,9 |
| Aemorial Inspection Maintenance | 1 | 10,000 | 2,377 | 4,000 | 3,623 | 10,000 | 6,377 | 3,6 |
| Community Groups Use of CACC (FOC) | 1 | 1,800 | 1,212 | 588 | 0 | 1,800 | 1,800 | 5,0 |
| Aiscellaneous | 6 | 0 | 744 | 0 | -744 | 0 | 744 | -7 |
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| Description | Hom No. | | ss Income | Incomo | Balance | Budget | Year End | Projected |
|---|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------------|
| Description | Item No. | Budget 12 Months | Income 11 Months | Income Expenditure | Balance | For Year | Projections | Variance |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| | | ~ | ~ | ~ - | ~ | ~ | | ~ |
| | | | | | | | + + | |
| Bank Interest | 1 | 500 | 3.897 | 0 | 3.397 | 500 | 4.500 | 4.00 |
| Interment Fees | 1 | 92.538 | 79.574 | 0 | -12,964 | 92.538 | 87.286 | -5.25 |
| Exclusive Right of Burials | 2 | 41,035 | 38,013 | 0 | -3,022 | 41,035 | 41,433 | 39 |
| Memorial Fees | 3 | 23,653 | 23,184 | 0 | -469 | 23,653 | 25,155 | 1,50 |
| Transfer of Exclusive Right of Burials | 4 | 1,800 | 1,860 | 0 | 60 | 1,800 | 2,010 | 21 |
| Hire of Chapel | 5 | 0 | 825 | 0 | 825 | 0 | 825 | 82 |
| War Graves | 6 | 78 | 78 | 0 | 0 | 78 | 78 | |
| Cemetery Lodge Rent | 7 | 5,650 | 5,158 | 0 | -492 | 5,650 | 5,630 | -2 |
| Other Miscellaneous Income | 8 | 2,000 | 3,527 | 0 | 1,527 | 2,000 | 3,527 | 1,52 |
| Cemetery Improvement Fee | 9 | 2,060 | 3,025 | 0 | 965 | 2,060 | 3,300 | 1,24 |
| Grants Receivable | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Assets Disposal Proceeds | 11 | 0 | 3,355 | 0 | 3,355 | 0 | 3,355 | 3,35 |
| Porthkerry Agreement | 3 | 13,409 | 13,409 | 0 | 0 | 13,409 | 13,409 | |
| Lettings | 1 | 20,000 | 25,156 | 0 | 5,156 | 20,000 | 27,915 | 7,91 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total Income | | 202,723 | 201,061 | 0 | -1,662 | 202,723 | 218,422 | 15,69 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Expenditure | | | | | |
| Description | Item No. | Budget | Expenditure | Expenditure | Balance | Budget | Year End | Projecte |
| | | 12 Months | 11 Months | Expenditure | | For Year | Projections | Variance |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total Net Expenditure | | 1,304,399 | 1,052,810 | 210,844 | 40,745 | 1,304,399 | 1,246,293 | 58,10 |
| Transfer to / (from) reserves | | (62,037) | | | | (62,037) | (3,931) | |
| Amount to be met from Precept | | 1,242,362 | | | | 1,242,362 | 1,242,362 | |
| | | <u> </u> | ļ | | | | + | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| ur revised net budget for the year is £1,304,399 with | | | | | | | enditure of £209 | 9,344, with |
| nount of budgeted income yet to be received of £17, | 361 noting that | a revised amou | int of £62,037 w | vill be drawn dowr | from reserves | | | |
| | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | |

| Description of Reserves | Balance at | Contribution | Contribution | Balance at |
|---|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| | 01.04.22 | to reserve | from reserve | 31.03.23 |
| | | | | |
| Cemetery Improvement Reserve | 5,538 | 3,300 | (3,413) | 5,425 |
| Acquisition Reserve (See note below) | 17,566 | 200,000 | - | 217,566 |
| Plant and Machinery Reserve | 21,850 | 2,000 | (22,750) | 1,100 |
| Shop Local Reserve | 4,763 | - | (4,763) | - |
| Election Reserve | 26,771 | - | (26,771) | - |
| Place Plan Reserve | 3,000 | - | - | 3,000 |
| Cemetery Roads Reserve | 5,000 | - | (2,500) | 2,500 |
| Staff Training Reserve | 6,000 | - | - | 6,000 |
| General Reserve (See note below) | 718,595 | 50,966 | (200,000) | 569,561 |
| | | | | |
| Total | 809,083 | 256,266 | (260,197) | 805,152 |
| | | | | |
| Full Council meeting held on 27.06.22 - | Minuto numbor | 62 (2) That C20 | 0.000 he transf | orred from |

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KING'S CORONATION STREET PARTY GRANTS

Report Author

Mark Sims, Deputy Chief Officer

<u>Attached:</u> A. Breakdown of Grant Applications received (6 pages)

Purpose of Report

To provide members with a breakdown of the applications received for the King's Coronation Street Party Grants.

Background

Included in the 2023/24 budget is an amount of £10,000 for the King's Coronation Street Party Grants.

At the time of writing this report we have received thirteen applications requesting grant funding for street parties to celebrate the King's Coronation totalling £3,925.

At the Council's Annual Meeting held on 17 May 2022 members considered a report relating to Grants and Donations for 2022/23 including an update relating to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Street Party grants for June 2022. It was **RESOLVED that grant applications received relating to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee be considered by Group Leaders (via Standing Order 31 Urgent Business), with a budget of £12,000 and the amount of people attending be capped at 400 per application. (Minute number 40 (1) refers).**

Attached is a breakdown of the thirteen applications received that relates to one thousand five hundred and seventy people attending a street (or garden / balcony) party to celebrate the King's Coronation. This equates to a cost of £3,925 that is within the budget of £10,000.

Recommendations

Members are requested to approve the nine applications to celebrate the King's Coronation at a cost of £3,925 and that any further grants received be considered by Group Leaders (via Standing Order 31 - Urgent Business).

| King's Coronation Street Party | Grant Applications Received |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|

| | Name | Being Held at | Attending | Date Held |
|--------------|------|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| | | | | |
| 1 | GB | Glamorgan Suite, Barry College | 64 | 04/05/2023 |
| 2 | HV | Dunraven | 150 | 06/05/2023 |
| 3 | JM | Tan y Fron | 150 | 07/05/2023 |
| 4 | MR | Heol Corswigen | 97 | 07/05/2023 |
| 5 | PS | Coed Mawr | 400 | 06/05/2023 |
| 6 | РТ | Grass area off Rutland Close | 66 | 06/05/2023 |
| 7 | LB | Wye Close | 40 | 07/05/2023 |
| 8 | CD | Evelyn Street | 55 | 06/05/2023 |
| 9 | JV | Newgale Close | 118 | 06/05/2023 |
| 10 | JR | Trem Y Don | 80 | 07/05/2023 |
| \mathbf{X} | GW | Channel Close, Rhoose | | 07/05/2023 |
| 12 | GF | Pioneer Hall | 80 | 10/05/2023 |
| 13 | RL | Victoria Gardens | 200 | 06/05/2023 |
| 14 | GCH | Golau Caredig - Hafod | 70 | 05/05/2023 |
| 15 | | | 0 | |
| 16 | | | 0 | |
| 17 | | | 0 | |
| / | | | 1,570 | |
| 17 | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | Total Attending | 1,570 | |

PURCHASE OF IT EQUIPMENT

Report Author

Mark Sims, Deputy Chief Officer

Purpose of Report

To advise members that new IT equipment needs to be purchased.

Background Information

The Council currently has eight Desktop PC's that are between six and ten years old, all running on Windows 7 that is no longer supported by Microsoft. We have minimised the 'Risk' following Microsoft support ending by moving our IT programs and files to the 'Cloud' utilising Citrix from Microshade VSM however the age of these PC's being between six and ten years old are increasingly becoming slow and crashing.

With new staff recruited over the past two years, new PC's had been purchased for these staff and officers are suggesting to bring all PC's up to date running on Windows 11.

Officers have researched the internet and identified that the Dell OptiPlex Micro 3000 is a suitable desktop PC priced at £566.

The cost for eight OptiPlex Micro 3000's would be £4,528.

Budget provision for M&S/Equipment is £5,500.

Although the purchase of eight new PC's would use a large proportion of the M&S/Equipment budget, following the increases to the Bank of England base rate during 2022 and 2023 officers have recently invested an additional £200,000 in the Council's CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund account increasing the balance to £400,000. This represents approximately 70% of the projected General Reserve balance at 31 March 2023, and 50% of projected total reserves at 31 March 2023, invested in the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund account. The CCLA PSDF yield for February 2023 was 3.54%, with a further increase to the Bank of England base rate on 23 Mach 2023 of 0.25% to 4.25% therefore the future yield could be slightly higher.

Further research into the expected direction of the Bank of England base rate shows that many forecasters consider there may be a further interest rate rise if there were more persistent price pressures as the financial and economic outlook had become more uncertain. However, others suggest that with UK inflation that accelerated in 2022, with CPI peaking at 11.1% before slowing

down, they expect inflation to fall during 2023 amid lower energy prices, easing supply chain disruption of imported goods and higher interest rates feeding through.

This uncertainty suggests that the Bank of England will likely hold interest rates around the 4% level and unlikely to reduce interest rates greatly during the next twelve months to ensure inflation is reduced to the target rate of 2% during 2024. With rates expected to remain constant this results in the Council receiving Bank Interest of circa £16,000 being an additional £12,000 than budgeted. This additional income could help offset any other expenditure on M&S/Equipment during 2023/2024.

Recommendation

Members are requested to approve the purchase of eight new Dell OptiPlex Micro 3000 PC's to replace the old desktop PC's at a cost of approximately $\pounds4,528$ (subject to any price increases)

INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT 2022/23 (SECOND INTERIM)

Report Author

Mark Sims, Deputy Chief Officer

Attached: A. Internal Audit Report 2022-23 (Second Interim) (6 pages)

Purpose of Report

To provide members with the internal auditor's report (second interim) for 2022/23.

Background

Auditing Solutions Ltd undertook the second interim review for 2022/23 on 30 January 2023 at the Council offices.

A copy of the internal auditor's report for 2022/23 (Second Interim) is attached for consideration. The report provides a summary of the work undertaken at the second visit. Officers are pleased to report that the internal auditor concludes that the Council continues to maintain adequate and effective internal control arrangements.

Auditing Solutions Ltd are scheduled to undertake the final visit in June 2023 to complete the internal audit work for 2022/23 and 'sign off' the Council's Annual Return for 2022/23.

Recommendations

Members are requested to receive and note the internal audit report (second interim) for 2022/23.



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Internal Audit Report 2022-23 (Second interim)

Chris Hackett

Consultant Auditor For and on behalf of Auditing Solutions Ltd

Background

All town and community councils are required by statute to make arrangements for an independent internal audit examination of their accounting records and system of internal control and for the conclusions to be reported each year in the Annual Return.

This report sets out the work undertaken in relation to the second interim review for the 2022-23 financial year, which took place on the 30th January 2023 together with our preparatory work. We wish to thank the Deputy Chief Officer and Responsible Finance Officer for providing the requested documents to enable us to complete our work. This Report does not repeat the findings of the first report issued in November 2022, but a consolidated report will be issued following our final visit/review which is arranged for June 2023.

Internal Audit Approach

In continuing our review for the year, we have again had regard to the materiality of transactions and their susceptibility to potential misrecording or misrepresentation in the year-end Statement of Accounts/Annual Return. Our programme of cover has been designed to afford appropriate assurance that the Council's financial systems remain robust and operate in a manner to ensure effective probity of transactions and to afford a reasonable probability of identifying any material errors or possible abuse of the Council's own and the national statutory regulatory framework. The programme is also designed to facilitate our completion of the 'Internal Audit Report' in the Council's Annual Return, which requires independent assurance over specified internal control objectives.

Overall Conclusion

Based on the work completed to date we have concluded that the Council continues to maintain adequate and effective internal control arrangements. Our detailed findings are set out below.

We request that this report is presented to Members.

This report has been prepared for the sole use of Barry Town Council. To the fullest extent permitted by law, no responsibility or liability is accepted by Auditing Solutions Ltd to any third party who purports to use or rely, for any reason whatsoever, on this report, its contents or conclusions.

Detailed Report

Maintenance of Accounting Records & Bank Reconciliations

The Council uses the Rialtas accounting package to record its financial transactions with a single cashbook in place to reflect transactions through the Lloyds current account.

Our objective here is to ensure that the accounting records are being maintained accurately and currently and that no anomalous entries appear in the cashbook or financial ledgers. At this stage we have:

- Confirmed that the accounting system was in balance at the time of our review by running a data check on the Rialtas back up provided to us;
- Checked and agreed one sample month's transactions (November 2022), as recorded in the current account cashbook, to the Lloyds bank statements; and
- Checked and agreed the October and November 2022 month-end Lloyds bank reconciliation detail to ensure that no longstanding uncleared amounts or abnormal entries exist.

Conclusions

Based on our testing the accounts are in balance and being reconciled with no anomalous adjusting entries in the reconciliations.

We shall undertake further work in this area at the final review including verifying the accurate disclosure of the year-end balances in the 2022/23 Annual Return and Accounts.

Review of Corporate Governance

Our objective is to ensure that the Council has a robust series of corporate governance documentation in place; that Council and Committee meetings are conducted in accordance with the adopted Standing Orders and that, as far as we are able to ascertain, no actions of a potentially unlawful nature have been or are being considered for implementation.

We have continued our examination of the minutes of the Full Council and its extant Standing Committees, excluding Planning, for the 2022/23 financial year to date, to ensure that, as far as we are reasonably able to ascertain, no actions of a potentially unlawful manner have been taken or are under consideration by Members, although it is for the Council to seek legal assurance where it deems it necessary.

Conclusions

No matters have been identified in this area from the work undertaken so far this year. We will extend our review of minutes up to the end of the financial year at our final review/visit in June.

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Review of Expenditure

Our aim here is to ensure that:

- Council resources are released in accordance with the Council's approved procedures and budgets;
- Payments are supported by appropriate documentation, either in the form of an original trade invoice or other appropriate form of document confirming the payment as due and/or an acknowledgement of receipt, where no other form of invoice is available;
- All discounts due on goods and services supplied are identified and appropriate action taken to secure the discount;
- Relevant Standing Orders and Financial Regulations have been met in relation to formal tendering processes;
- > The correct expense codes have been applied to invoices when processed; and
- VAT has been appropriately identified and coded to the control account for periodic recovery.

We have confirmed that Members continue to sign coding slips and invoices and that lists of payments are presented to Council/Committee meetings for approval.

We have extended our audit sample of payments in the cash book and have now tested 34 payments including all those individually in excess of £3,500, together with a more random sample of every 35^{th} cashbook transaction (irrespective of value). In addition, our sample includes all the non-domestic rate payments to the Unitary Council. The sample now totals £199,524 and equates to 53% of all non-pay related expenditure for the period to 31^{st} December 2022. Supporting information in the form of invoices or other documentation was held by the Council for all the payments in our sample.

We reviewed the Council's VAT records. Specifically, we reviewed the second quarterly VAT reclaim for 2022/23 ensuring the funds were recovered into the Council's accounts.

Conclusions

No matters arise from our review of payments to date requiring recommendations. We will review overall expenditure for 2022/23 at our final visit/review.

Precept Determination and Budgetary Control

Our objective here is to ensure that the Council has a robust procedure in place for identifying and approving its future budgetary requirements and the level of precept for the coming financial year: also, that an effective reporting and monitoring process is in place. We also aim to ensure that the Council retains appropriate funds in general and earmarked reserves to

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finance its ongoing spending plans, whilst retaining appropriate sums to cover any unplanned expenditure that might arise. We note:

- The Finance Policy and General Purposes Committee considered the 2023/24 draft budget in detail at its meeting in November 2022. This included consideration of earmarked and general reserves, discussion of the tax base (although, at the time this remained to be finalised by the Unitary Council) and the impact on reserves of different levels of council tax increases. Members were provided with a detailed analysis of income and expenditure by service area and projections for special projects. The forthcoming Budget was considered by Full Council in December. Following this the budget then went out for public consultation, with a final decision planned to be made in February 2023; and
- Budget monitors go to Full Council and to Finance Policy and General Purposes Committee meetings which analyse income and expenditure showing spend to date and projections to the year end.

Conclusions

No issues have been identified in this area of our work requiring formal comment or recommendation. We will consider year end balances and reserves at our final review.

Review of Income

In considering the Council's income streams, we aim to ensure that robust systems are in place to ensure the identification of all income due to the Council from its various sources; to ensure that income is invoiced in a timely manner and that effective procedures are in place to pursue recovery of any outstanding monies due to the Council. At our first visit in November 2022, we tested income arising from the Cemetery.

At this second interim visit we have:

- Agreed the third instalment of the 2022/23 precept received in December 2022 as recorded in the Council's Lloyd bank statement to the amount set and approved in the Council's minutes;
- Reviewed income from lettings at the Pioneer Hall and Cemetery Approach Community Building. Specifically, we selected a sample of lettings in October 2022 from the booking diary, checking the booking agreement and confirming the fee agreed to the scale of rates and that the income was accounted for in Rialtas;
- Extended our testing of income arising at the Cemetery by selecting two memorials erected in October and tracing from the spreadsheet record to the application form and to Rialtas confirming the amount was invoiced at the correct rate;
- Reviewed the unpaid invoices report on the Council's sales ledger noting there were no significant aged amounts due; and
- As previously noted, test checked one month's income from the bank to the accounting records.

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Conclusions

Based on our work the Council has systems for collecting income. At our final review/visit we will complete our year on year analysis of income.

Investments and Loans

Our objectives here are to ensure that the Council is "investing" surplus funds, be they held temporarily or on a longer term basis, in appropriate banking and investment institutions; that an appropriate investment policy is in place; that the Council is obtaining the best rate of return on any such investments made; that interest earned is brought to account correctly and appropriately in the accounting records and that any loan repayments due to or payable by the Council are transacted in accordance with appropriate loan agreements. At this review we have:

- Agreed the balance recorded in Rialtas on the Council's CCLA account to the latest third-party statement dated 31st December 2022; and
- Checked the receipt of interest income recorded in Rialtas to the CCLA statements for the year to date.

Conclusion

There are no issues arising in this area based on our work to date. We will agree the yearend balances on loans and investments disclosed in the Annual Return and Accounts to third party statements at our final review/visit.